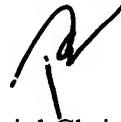


**Remarks**

The Applicants have amended the Claims to remove improper multiple dependencies and to place them into better form for examination on the merits and allowance.

Passage to the appropriate art unit for examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Daniel Christenbury', is written over the printed name.

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